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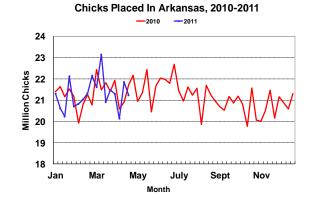
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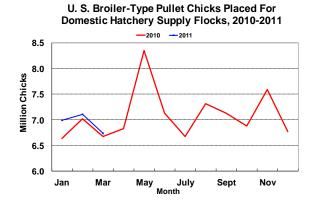
Arkansas Chick Placements Down 2 Percent from Last Year

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas were 21.2 million during the week ending April 23, 2011. Placements were down 2 percent from the comparable week in 2010 and down 3 percent from the previous week.

Arkansas hatcheries set 23.7 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending April 23, 2011, up 1 percent from the same period last year and up 1 percent from the previous week.

Leading breeders in the **United States** placed 6.73 million **broiler-type pullet chicks** for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during March 2011, up 1 percent from March 2010.





Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Week, March 26, 2011 - April 23, 2011

	Eggs Set Week Ending					Chicks Placed Week Ending				
State										
	26-Mar	2-Apr	9-Apr	16-Apr	23-Apr	26-Mar	2-Apr	9-Apr	16-Apr	23-Apr
	1,000 eggs					1,000 chicks				
Alabama	31,067	29,908	30,544	31,264	29,960	21,440	20,827	21,456	21,978	21,592
Arkansas	23,252	23,580	23,776	23,464	23,681	21,478	21,296	20,131	21,847	21,231
Delaware	3,882	3,892	3,858	3,902	3,903	4,824	5,245	4,325	4,634	4,663
Florida	1,360	1,360	1,360	1,344	1,221	1,270	1,296	1,243	1,243	1,252
Georgia	32,819	33,876	33,408	33,304	33,768	27,603	28,221	27,898	27,852	28,182
Kentucky	7,965	7,968	7,862	7,651	7,918	6,766	5,746	6,255	6,937	6,771
Louisiana	3,471	3,288	3,440	3,440	3,334	3,227	3,028	3,005	3,064	2,921
Maryland	7,741	7,730	7,747	7,749	7,733	6,041	5,547	6,226	6,221	6,320
Mississippi	19,549	19,380	19,413	19,520	19,382	16,528	16,560	16,967	17,133	16,695
N. Carolina	20,276	19,995	20,495	20,584	20,214	15,782	15,475	16,753	15,874	16,194
Oklahoma	7,268	7,006	7,310	7,219	7,182	4,837	5,206	5,531	4,199	3,740
Pennsylvania	3,697	3,546	3,510	3,461	3,743	3,206	3,229	3,117	2,982	2,816
S. Carolina	5,746	5,268	5,353	5,496	5,478	4,916	4,991	4,375	5,069	4,480
Texas	14,977	15,633	15,528	15,446	15,640	13,170	12,976	12,894	12,608	13,294
Virginia	6,590	6,593	6,315	6,040	6,232	5,402	5,439	5,316	5,532	5,112
CA,MO,TN & WV	/ 19,722	18,625	19,147	19,239	19,292	17,362	17,701	17,199	16,704	17,291
19 State Total	209,382	207,648	209,066	209,123	208,681	173,852	172,783	172,691	173,877	172,554
Prev. Year Total	205,735	204,921	209,257	206,893	207,422	169,700	168,989	171,651	169,539	169,643
% of Prev. Year	102	101	100	101	101	102	102	101	103	102

Revisions made to the previous five-week's data during the current week are published in this report.

Broiler-Type Eggs Set Up 1 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19 State weekly program set 209 million eggs in incubators during the week ending April 23, 2011. This was up 1 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 84 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Broiler-Type Chicks Placed Up 2 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19 State weekly program placed 173 million chicks for meat production during the week ending April 23, 2011. Placements were up 2 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 2, 2011 through April 23, 2011 were 2.72 billion, up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.